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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
COMMUNICATION DATED SEPTEMBER 12, 2001

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Sir:

In response to the Communication mailed September 12, 2001, please
amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph beginning at page 1, line 1:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/958,460, now U.S.
Patent No. 6,117,345.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21-37 previously withdrawn by the Examiner.

(P.T.) Please re-enter original claims 1-20, with claims 1-9, 11-12 and 20 amended
as follows, with marked up versions of the amended claims attached to this
Response.

1. (Amended) A method for forming conducting structures
separated by gaps on a substrate comprising: